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Total Claims	30	23	0	X \$50.00	\$0.00
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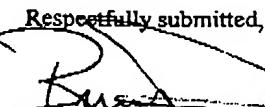
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Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Office Action dated January 7, 2005, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and remarks into the above-caption patent application.

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION begin on page 2 of this paper

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